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SUBJECT: KOREA IN 28TH UNGA

1. SUMMARY: ROK DIRECTOR HAN (MOFA IO)

DURING CALL IN DEPT OCTOBER 9 ACKNOWLEDGED PROBLEMS AHEAD ON IMPORTANT QUESTION AND PRESSURES FOR "COMPROMISE RESOLUTION" AND SPECULATED ON POSSIBILITY OF MODIFICATION IN OUR RESOLUTION. EXPRESSED GENERAL SATISFACTION WITH EFFORTS TO GAIN SUPPORT FOR OUR RESOLUTION AND COMMENDED CLOSE COOPERATION BETWEEN US AND ROK MISSIONS IN NEW YORK.

2. DURING CALL ON DEP. ASST. SEC. HERZ (IO) AND IN SUBSEQUENT DISCUSSION WITH UNP OFFICERS, HAN OBSERVED SOME DELEGATIONS IN NEW YORK HAD RAISED QUESTIONS ABOUT MEMBERSHIP PARA IN OMNIBUS RESOLUTION. HE REFERRED TO SECRETARY ROGERS' STRONG SUPPORT OF DUAL MEMBERSHIP DURING SEOUL VISIT LAST SUMMER AND EMPHASIZED GA APPROVAL OF CONCURRENT MEMBERSHIP IS OF "STRATEGIC SIGNIFICANCE" TO SEOUL.

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CONCEPT DIFFICULT TO DENY IN PRINCIPLE AND THERE IS

EVIDENCE THIS TROUBLES THE OTHER SIDE AS WELL. ABOUT 19 COUNTRIES HAVE RECOGNIZED BOTH NORTH AND SOUTH KOREA AND MOST, HE SAID, FAVOR MEMBERSHIP FOR BOTH. NEVERTHELESS, DURING DRAFTING SESSIONS AMONG CORE GROUP OF FRIENDLY CO-SPONSORS ROK NOTED SOME SKEPTICISM ABOUT MEMBERSHIP PARAGRAPH. WHETHER TO DELETE PARAGRAPH TO GAIN ADDITIONAL VOTES IS DIFFICULT QUESTION FOR ROKG.

3. HAN OBSERVED FEELING EXISTS AMONG UN DELEGATIONS THAT IN FINAL ANALYSIS A COMPROMISE RESOLUTION WILL EMERGE IN FIRST COMMITTEE. THIS FEELING FED BY SMOOTHNESS OF GENERAL COMMITTEE INSCRIPTION OF TWO KOREAN ITEMS AND CONSENSUS ON FIRST COMMITTEE'S INVITATION TO BOTH KOREAS TO PARTICIPATE IN DEBATE. IF FINAL RESULT OF GA DEBATE WAS RESOLUTION CALLING ONLY FOR TERMINATION OF UNCURK, HAN FELT ROK WOULD ON BALANCE BE THE GAINER. THIS WOULD BE DIFFICULT DECISION FOR ROKG AND WOULD REQUIRE CAREFUL EXPLANATION TO KOREAN PUBLIC. LATER HE QUALIFIED THIS FURTHER BY SAYING SUCH COMPROMISE WOULD STILL HAVE TO BE ALONG LINES OMNIBUS TEXT WITHOUT PARAGRAPHS 3 (ON MEMBERSHIP) AND 4 (ON UNC), THUS IMPLYING PREAMBULAR LANGUAGE OF VALUE TO ROK. IN ANY CASE HE RECOGNIZED THAT IF RES DID NOT MENTION UNC THIS COULD BE PICTURED AS NORTH KOREAN DEFEAT.

4. IN MEANTIME, HOWEVER, ROKG BELIEVED THERE SHOULD BE NO LET-UP IN CAMPAIGN TO GAIN VOTES FOR OMNIBUS RES AND AGAINST HOSTILE RES. ROK SENDING MISSION TO SEVERAL AFRICAN AND PERSIAN GULF STATES AND HOPED TO ENLIST FURTHER LOBBYING EFFORTS BY JAPANESE, UK AND FRG. HAN IDENTIFIED AS PRIME TARGETS SCANDINAVIANS, GULF STATES, EAST AFRICANS AND CARIBBEANS, WHERE SHIFTS FROM ABSTENTION TO NO ON HOSTILE RES COULD ENSURE ITS DEFEAT. SINCE KEY FACTOR IS TO KEEP ARABS AND AFRICANS FRAGMENTED KOREANS EXPRESSED CONCERN OVER POSSIBILITY MIDDLE EAST CONFLICT WOULD TEND COALESCE ARAB AND PERHAPS AFRICAN VOTES.

5. IN RESPONSE TO QUERY, HAN SAID JAPANESE EFFORTS ON BEHALF KOREAN ITEM HAD SHOWN NO SLACKENING AS RESULT KIM TAE JUNG CASE. OHIRA HAD TOLD KIM IN NEW YORK JAPAN  
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WOULD CONTINUE ITS FULL SUPPORT.

6. HAN AND HERZ AGREED BOTH SIDES SHOULD STUDY CAREFULLY ALL RAMIFICATIONS OF LIKELY NEED TO GAIN TWO-THIRDS MAJORITY IN PLENARY. TIMING OF MOTION TO DECLARE ANY RES AN IMPORTANT QUESTION (THUS REQUIRING TWO-THIRDS) WOULD BE CRUCIAL FOR WHICHEVER SIDE WANTS TO USE IQ TO BLOCK OTHER SIDE'S RESOLUTION. KISSINGER

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